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U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
(1967 = 100) ALL URBAN CONSUMERS

	Annual Average 1983	Dec. 1984	Nov. 1984	Dec. 1983	Percent Change from Nov. 1984	Percent Change from Dec. 1983	Percent Change Projected on Annual Basis
All Items	298.4	315.5	315.3	303.5	0.1	4.0	1.2
Food & Beverage	284.4	297.2	296.3	286.5	0.3	3.7	3.7
Housing	323.1	341.2	340.9	327.4	0.1	4.2	1.2
Apparel and Upkeep	196.5	203.2	205.2	199.3	−1.0	2.0	−12.7
Transportation	298.4	315.8	316.1	306.3	−0.1	3.1	−1.2
Medical Care	357.3	388.5	387.5	366.2	0.3	6.1	3.7
Entertainment	246.0	260.1	259.0	249.5	0.4	4.2	4.9

PRODUCER PRICE INDEX
(1967 = 100) UNITED STATES AVERAGE

	Annual Average 1983	December 1984	November 1984	December 1983	Percent Change from November 1984	Percent Change from December 1983
All Commodities	303.1	309.9	310.4	306.1	−0.2	1.2
Farm Products and Processed Foods and Feeds	253.9	259.2	258.4	257.9	0.3	0.5
Industrial Commodities	315.8	323.0	323.8	318.4	−0.2	1.4

MANUFACTURING HOURS AND EARNINGS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Dec. 1984	Nov. 1984	Dec. 1983	Dec. 1984	Nov. 1984	Dec. 1983	Dec. 1984	Nov. 1984	Dec. 1983
United States									
Manufacturing	387.81	378.51	372.45	41.3	40.7	41.2	9.39	9.30	9.04
Durable	419.47	406.96	403.20	42.2	41.4	42.0	9.94	9.83	9.60
Nondurable	343.20	337.79	330.42	40.0	39.6	40.1	8.58	8.53	8.24
North Dakota									
Manufacturing	303.38	306.48	301.07	38.5	38.6	38.5	7.88	7.94	7.82
Durable	318.66	312.23	320.58	38.3	37.8	39.0	8.32	8.26	8.22
Nondurable	293.75	301.47	289.17	38.6	39.0	38.2	7.61	7.73	7.57
Fargo-Moorhead MSA									
Manufacturing	313.47	298.02	314.93	38.7	36.3	38.5	8.10	8.21	8.18
Durable	303.96	304.79	315.93	37.9	36.9	37.7	8.02	8.26	8.38
Nondurable	319.09	293.66	314.34	39.2	35.9	39.0	8.14	8.18	8.06

LABOR FORCE

	Dec. 1984	Nov. 1984	Dec. 1983	Percent Change from Nov. 1984	Percent Change from Dec. 1983
UNITED STATES (In Thousands)					
Labor Force	116,162	115,725	113,824	0.4	2.1
Employment	107,971	107,571	104,629	0.4	3.2
Unemployment	8,191	8,154	9,195	0.5	-10.9
Unemployment Rate 1/	7.1%	7.0%	8.1%	—	—
NORTH DAKOTA					
Labor Force	307,870	310,420	298,230	-0.8	3.2
Employment	288,660	293,860	281,910	-1.8	2.4
Unemployment	19,210	16,560	16,320	16.0	17.7
Unemployment Rate 1/	6.2%	5.3%	5.5%	—	—
FARGO-MOORHEAD MSA					
Labor Force	73,320	73,480	73,970	-0.2	-0.9
Employment	69,950	70,680	70,440	-1.0	-0.7
Unemployment	3,370	2,800	3,530	20.4	-4.5
Unemployment Rate 1/	4.6%	3.8%	4.8%	—	—
GRAND FORKS MSA					
Labor Force	28,720	28,830	26,640	-0.4	7.8
Employment	27,490	27,760	25,570	-1.0	7.5
Unemployment	1,230	1,070	1,070	15.0	15.0
Unemployment Rate 1/	4.3%	3.7%	4.0%	—	—
BISMARCK MSA					
Labor Force	42,110	42,010	39,050	0.2	7.8
Employment	38,810	39,030	36,480	-0.6	6.4
Unemployment	3,300	2,980	2,570	10.7	28.4
Unemployment Rate 1/	7.8%	7.1%	6.6%	—	—

U.S. data seasonally adjusted, other data not seasonally adjusted.

The Fargo-Moorhead MSA includes Cass and Clay counties, the Grand Forks MSA includes Grand Forks county, and the Bismarck MSA includes Burleigh and Morton counties.

1/ Based on unrounded data.

NORTH DAKOTA EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY

	Dec. 1984	Nov. 1984	Dec. 1983
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment	252,230	254,670	252,330
Mining	7,410	7,570	7,550
Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas	5,680	5,720	6,020
Other Mining	1,730	1,850	1,530
Construction	12,920	15,320	15,230
Manufacturing	15,380	15,910	15,150
Durable Goods	6,040	6,500	6,110
Nondurable Goods	9,340	9,410	9,040
Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities	16,500	16,560	16,520
Trade	67,210	66,820	66,800
Wholesale	19,980	20,070	19,830
Retail	47,230	46,750	46,970
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	12,150	12,090	12,050
Services	57,380	57,360	56,380
Government	63,280	63,040	62,650
Federal	9,690	9,660	9,490
State	19,260	19,230	19,150
Local	34,330	34,150	34,010

All North Dakota and area data is produced in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

LABOR FORCE
by County, by Region
December 1984

		1980 Population	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment Number	Unemployment Rate
1	Divide	3,494	1,407	1,351	56	4.0%
	McKenzie	7,132	3,662	3,521	141	3.9%
	Williams	22,237	14,478	13,907	571	3.9%
	REGION 1 TOTAL	32,863	19,547	18,779	768	3.9%
2	Bottineau	9,338	3,703	3,428	275	7.4%
	Burke	3,822	1,698	1,609	89	5.2%
	McHenry	7,858	2,953	2,565	388	13.1%
	Mountrail	7,679	3,172	2,949	223	7.0%
	Pierce	6,166	2,877	2,720	157	5.5%
	Renville	3,608	1,395	1,310	85	6.1%
	Ward	58,392	25,687	23,894	1,793	7.0%
	REGION 2 TOTAL	96,863	41,485	38,475	3,010	7.3%
3	Benson	7,944	3,074	2,730	344	11.2%
	Cavalier	7,636	3,015	2,763	252	8.4%
	Eddy	3,554	1,660	1,486	174	10.5%
	Ramsey	13,048	6,417	5,996	421	6.6%
	Rolette	12,177	4,917	4,292	625	12.7%
	Towner	4,052	2,007	1,900	107	5.3%
	REGION 3 TOTAL	48,411	21,090	19,167	1,923	9.1%
4	Grand Forks	66,100	28,721	27,491	1,230	4.3%
	Nelson	5,233	2,387	2,174	213	8.9%
	Pembina	10,399	5,343	4,854	489	9.2%
	Walsh	15,371	7,732	7,291	441	5.7%
	REGION 4 TOTAL	97,103	44,183	41,810	2,373	5.4%
5	Cass	88,247	45,621	43,850	1,771	3.9%
	Ransom	6,698	2,553	2,445	108	4.2%
	Richland	19,207	9,013	8,603	410	4.5%
	Sargent	5,512	2,339	2,215	124	5.3%
	Steele	3,106	1,183	1,127	56	4.7%
	Traill	9,624	4,428	4,311	117	2.6%
	REGION 5 TOTAL	132,394	65,137	62,551	2,586	4.0%
6	Barnes	13,960	5,570	5,160	410	7.4%
	Dickey	7,207	3,191	3,057	134	4.2%
	Foster	4,611	1,970	1,843	127	6.4%
	Griggs	3,714	1,534	1,444	90	5.9%
	LaMoure	6,473	2,343	2,194	149	6.4%
	Logan	3,493	1,336	1,262	74	5.5%
	McIntosh	4,800	2,072	2,020	52	2.5%
	Stutsman	24,154	11,484	10,751	733	6.4%
	Wells	6,979	3,110	2,863	247	7.9%
	REGION 6 TOTAL	75,391	32,610	30,594	2,016	6.2%
7	Burleigh	54,811	28,782	26,667	2,115	7.3%
	Emmons	5,877	2,053	1,867	186	9.1%
	Grant	4,274	1,413	1,341	72	5.1%
	Kidder	3,833	1,336	1,215	121	9.1%
	McLean	12,288	5,167	4,598	569	11.0%
	Mercer	9,378	6,901	6,184	717	10.4%
	Morton	25,177	13,327	12,146	1,181	8.9%
	Oliver	2,495	1,036	951	85	8.2%
	Sheridan	2,819	971	902	69	7.1%
	Sioux	3,620	1,274	1,176	98	7.7%
	REGION 7 TOTAL	124,572	62,260	57,047	5,213	8.4%
8	Adams	3,584	1,865	1,809	56	3.0%
	Billings	1,138	688	673	15	2.2%
	Bowman	4,229	2,036	1,993	43	2.1%
	Dunn	4,627	1,769	1,610	159	9.0%
	Golden Valley	2,391	1,098	1,037	61	5.6%
	Hettinger	4,275	1,627	1,535	92	5.7%
	Slope	1,157	447	424	23	5.1%
	Stark	23,697	12,024	11,156	868	7.2%
	REGION 8 TOTAL	45,098	21,554	20,237	1,317	6.1%
STATE TOTAL		652,695	307,866	288,660	19,206	6.2%

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

	Dec. 1984	Nov 1984	Dec. 1983
FARGO—MOORHEAD MSA			
Total	64,260	65,040	64,040
Mining and Construction	2,590	3,020	2,610
Manufacturing	4,530	4,830	4,520
Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities	3,680	3,710	3,790
Wholesale Trade	6,630	6,650	6,570
Retail Trade	12,590	12,410	12,390
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	4,110	4,090	3,950
Services	15,740	16,740	16,410
Government	13,390	13,590	13,800
GRAND FORKS MSA			
Total	27,630	28,010	27,540
Mining and Construction	1,010	1,310	1,050
Manufacturing	1,370	1,390	1,290
Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities	1,560	1,560	1,600
Wholesale Trade	1,410	1,380	1,400
Retail Trade	6,360	6,330	6,410
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	990	990	1,010
Services	5,930	6,060	5,950
Government	9,000	8,990	8,830
BISMARCK MSA			
Total	36,220	36,370	35,560
Mining and Construction	1,920	2,230	2,020
Manufacturing	2,020	2,060	1,940
Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities	2,870	2,880	2,840
Wholesale Trade	2,440	2,460	2,460
Retail Trade	7,500	7,460	7,310
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	1,650	1,660	1,660
Services	9,830	9,830	9,640
Government	7,990	7,790	7,690